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In re Application of :
Edwin O. Miner et al :
Serial No.: 10/527,655 : PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
Filed: March 14, 2005 :
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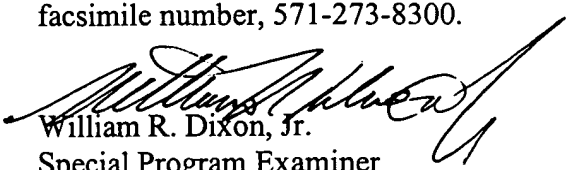
This is in response to applicants' petition filed January 2, 2006, to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d). The delay in acting on this petition was due to delays in processing the National Stage entry papers and failure to notify the deciding Authority of the existence of a petition. Further, no indication is given as to the reason for requesting the application be made special and it is presumed that applicants are making the request in view of M.P.E.P. 708.02, VIII.

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, VIII. Therefor the petition is **GRANTED**.

The following condition applies to the grant of this petition: If, upon examination, it is determined that a restriction requirement is necessary because of multiple inventions being claimed, applicant will be required to make an election without traverse of a single invention to be prosecuted. Failure to make an election without traverse will void the special status accorded in this decision.

The application will be forwarded the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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